





## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring Private Richard Taylor and Lieutenant Colonel Don C. Faith, Jr.

Whereas, The Medal of Honor is the highest military decoration awarded by the United States of America;

Whereas, The Medal of Honor is bestowed upon members of the United States armed forces who distinguish themselves "conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his or her life above and beyond the call of duty while engaged in an action against an enemy of the United States";

Whereas, Although the Medal of Honor was created for the Civil War, Congress made it a permanent decoration in 1863;

Whereas, The President of the United States, in the name of Congress, has awarded more than 3,400 Medals of Honor to our nation's bravest soldiers, sailors, airmen, Marines, and Coast Guard members since the medal's creation in 1861;

Whereas, Private Richard Taylor and Lieutenant Colonel Don C. Faith, Jr. are two of these brave soldiers who paid the ultimate price for our continued freedom;

Whereas, Private Richard Taylor was a member of the 18th Indiana Infantry of the Union Army during the Civil War;

Whereas, Private Taylor captured a Confederate battle flag



during the Battle of Cedar Creek, Virginia, and was awarded the Medal of Honor on November 21, 1864;

Whereas, Lieutenant Colonel Don C. Faith, Jr. served as the commander of the 1st Battalion, 32nd Infantry Regiment, 7th Infantry Division during the Korean War;

Whereas, Lieutenant Colonel Faith was killed while rallying his men in a counterattack of enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir, North Korea, and was awarded the Medal of Honor on August 2, 1951;

Whereas, In honor of these brave men, the Indiana General Assembly urges the Indiana Department of Transportation to rename North Bridge Structure I-69-63-9501 (NB) after Private Richard Taylor and South Bridge Structure I-69-63-9502 (SB) after Lieutenant Colonel Don C. Faith, Jr.; and

Whereas, Bravery in the service of our country merits special recognition, and it is fitting that the recipients of the nation's highest military decoration be honored and remembered for the role they played in making the world safe for future generations: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly recognizes the bravery of these two soldiers and recognizes their sacrifice by naming a bridge in their honor.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the families of Private Richard Taylor and Lieutenant Colonel Don C. Faith, Jr. and the commissioner of the Indiana Department of Transportation.



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